

DEALERS IN IRON

Weekly Review of the Iron Situation.

THE OUTPUT IS INCREASING

The Iron and Steel Business Stimulated
By Increased Orders With the Result that a General Advance in the Prices is Anticipated.

Cleveland, March 9.—The Iron Trade Review this week says:

Unprecedented consumption of pig iron and steel on the threshold of the season always marked by quickened activity, raises the question whether the price will be kept under control. Pig iron output at a rate of nearly 21,500,000 tons and metal going into melters hands at something more than that rate presents a situation in which precedents give little help. The Bessemer steel industry, going forward rapidly again after a marked falling away in 1904, is a large factor in the present movement.

In the past week the foundry industry had been a larger participant in the market than for weeks but the buying of foundry irons has been divided among a diversified and growing list of consumers.

The abandonment for the time of the efforts to combine the large southern companies has scarcely created a ripple.

Discussion of advances on southern irons is answered by continued selling of No. 2 foundry at \$13.50 at furnace and on northern iron at basis of \$16 for No. 2 at Central western furnaces, while aimed at, is not maintained.

Southern Ohio iron has sold at \$15.75 and in a few instances at \$15.50.

Bessemer iron is less active, after recent buying but some steel works requirements for March are yet to be met. Basic pig iron at \$16 Pittsburgh indicates an easier condition than has been generally credited.

The steel market in billets and most finished materials continues to present a record scale of operations. Independent producers of iron of the lighter finished materials are getting sufficient steel to operate in full and the prices of the products as established by the larger interests do not warrant importations of billets and sheet bars at present prices abroad.

The past week has made no larger additions to rail business, but in structural lines the developments have been encouraging. At New York 23,000 tons of new erection in manufacturing lines is up for estimate, and a good tonnage was put on the American bridge company's books. The plate mills are in a strong position. Of about \$3,000 cars estimated to be now under contract 21,000 are to be all street, representing 200,000 tons of plates and shapes.

STRIKE PUNCTURED.

National Labor Leaders Declare Strike is Unlawful.

New York, March 9.—The most interesting development in the strike situation here today is the stand taken by several national labor leaders who repudiate the action of the local leaders who ordered and are conducting the strike. Grand Chief Warren S. Stone of the brotherhood of locomotive engineers, to which the motormen belong, insists that the strike is in violation of the laws of the national union and insists that the men either return to work or suffer expulsion from the organization. Other labor leaders similarly express themselves. The strike leaders, however, say that the men will not return to work until they have carried their point and that the local unions have sufficient money to carry on the strike without any aid from the national body. The appearances at strike headquarters tonight indicate that some of the men are ready to give up the fight and, indeed, some of the old men have already taken their places on the trains.

The train service is constantly improving. Tonight the executive committee of the joint bodies of the amalgamated brotherhood issued a statement that Stone had not ordered the men to return to work.

PORTLAND STRIKE.

Contractors Have no Trouble to Secure Men.

Portland, March 9.—With employers declaring that so far as they are concerned the strike is practically ended, and with strikers talking of the proposition to call out the building trades in Portland, if no agreement is speedily reached, the strike situation at the Lewis and Clark exposition grounds remains outwardly very much the same as it was yesterday. Work is progressing on all the buildings, and the contractors are almost unanimous in the declaration that they now want

none but skilled labor, and that they are turning away many who call themselves carpenters' helpers, or "rough" carpenters. The little knot of pickets and strikers is still at the gates to the exposition grounds, and the absence of police officers there has had no more effect than had their presence for two days.

WILLIAMSON RETURNS.

Is Ready to Face Charges of Grand Jury.

Portland, March 9.—Congressman J. N. Williamson arrived in Portland this morning from The Dalles. He is the first of Oregon's congressional delegation to return to Portland after the returning of indictments against three of them charging conspiracy against the United States to defraud the government of a portion of its public lands.

Until noon today he refused to see any but a number of his personal friends, among them being former Governor T. T. Geer. Congressman Williamson has little to say about the charges preferred against him by the federal grand jury, saying the time has not come for him to make a statement.

When he alighted from the train this morning he went directly to the Imperial hotel, where he remained a short time before going to the chamber of commerce to converse with Roger Sinnott, who is a personal friend of his.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Thousands Dying of the Plague in Calcutta.

Calcutta, March 9.—Reports for last week show that 34,000 persons died of bubonic plague. Statistics show that during the last few years nearly 3,000,000 have died from the plague. The infection recently spread to Burmah, where it is making rapid strides. This season of the year is always favorable to a spread of the disease. The government is working heroically to combat the plague, but is encountering such great difficulties in the way of poor sanitation that it is impossible to make but little headway.

ITALIAN IS KILLED

Entirely Too Fresh With Other Men's Wives.

HAS HAD TROUBLE BEFORE

Indications Are That He Insulted the Wife of a Prominent Citizen and Acting on the Impulse of Moment the Irate Husband Killed Him.

Syracuse, N. Y., March 9.—Peter Salliano, a wealthy Italian butcher, was found murdered in a room in the rear of his market at 45 Humboldt street, this morning. In his left side was a bullet hole, and he had a stab wound in his abdomen and another in the side of his face. He had been dead several hours.

The murder was discovered by Policeman Kemp, of the Stagg street station, who was summoned by a woman who could not get into the market.

The policeman broke in the door, and found Salliano's body in the rear room. Capt. Hayes and his detectives immediately got to work on the case, and soon discovered the motive for the murder.

It appears, according to stories told by the neighbors, that Salliano had the reputation of paying too much attention to married women. Irate husbands have had him in court several times. He was married and had three children. Two months ago he sent his family to Italy.

The police believe that Salliano insulted a woman last night, and she told her husband, who decided on summary revenge. Several families live in the tenement over the market, but no one could be found who heard a shot or any struggle.

Strikers Make Trouble.

New York, March 9.—The police sent large numbers to One Hundred and Forty-third street station where it is reported that the strikers will make trouble this morning. Two hundred strikers are assembled for that purpose, it is alleged, stopping subway trains and doing other acts of violence.

San Domingo Treaty.

Washington, March 9.—The senate committee on foreign affairs agreed to report favorably the Santo Domingo treaty as amended. The vote was strictly on party lines. Some fear is expressed that if the senate follows the action of the committee and votes on party lines, the measure will be lost, a two-thirds vote being necessary to carry it.

BERNER A GRAFT

Sensational Story of the Stanford Investigation.

BUTLER ADMITS GRAFTING

Detectives are Searching for Clues Among the Stanford Household With a View of Ascertaining Probable Motive for the Murder.

San Francisco, March 9.—Though they still deem the proof of murder inconclusive, the police of this city are trying to find a possible motive for the poisoning of Mrs. Stanford. With this end in view they are making a minute investigation into the stories of household intrigues told by Beverly, the ex-butler, and Elisabeth Richmond, the former maid of Mrs. Stanford, who now lives in Beverly's home at San Mateo. It is believed that among the stories of quarrels and graft a hint of the motive for murder may be discovered. Albert Beverly, the ex-butler, has, it is said, made a statement to the police to the effect that in all by means of "rake downs" and commissions he has "grafted" about \$2100. He reiterates his story that he divided his "rake down" with Miss Berner, Mrs. Stanford's secretary, and that her share amounted to between \$1000 and \$1200.

MURDER COMMITTED.

Coroner's Jury Decides Mrs. Stanford Was Poisoned.

Honolulu, March 9.—The coroner's jury tonight returned a verdict to the effect that Mrs. Stanford died an unnatural death; that her death was due to strychnine poisoning, the poison having been introduced into a bottle of bicarbonate of soda with felonious intent by some person or persons to the jury unknown.

CHADWICK CASE.

Defense Wanted the Court to Please Acquit.

Cleveland, March 9.—The attorneys for the defense in the Chadwick case made a desperate effort today to have the case taken from the jury and have the court instruct for a verdict of acquittal. After arguments lasting throughout the greater part of the day Judge Taylor just prior to the afternoon adjournment overruled the motion.

Steel Strike Settled.

Chicago, March 9.—The strike at the Republic Iron and Steel Mills at East Chicago has been settled, and 1000 men will go back to work today. A compromise agreement was made by arbitration. The men were defeated in their effort to secure a raise of a cent and a half an hour in wages, but succeeded in getting the old seven and a half-hour scale back.

Mother Agnes Dead.

Chicago, March 9.—The Rev. Mother Mary Agnes, superior general of the congregation of St. Agnes, is dead at Hays, Kan., after an illness of one year. She founded the order in 1870 at Pon du Lac, Wis. Mother Agnes was also the founder of Leo House in New York, which is a home for immigrants.

Women Settle Strike.

New York, March 9.—A strike of a few women employed as trimmers in hat factories at Orange, N. J., has been settled. Several thousand employees who were thrown out of work a week ago by the action of the women will return to the benches today.

Socialists Nominated.

Chicago, March 9.—The socialist city convention has nominated John Collins for mayor.

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TREATING A SPRAIN.

Perfect Rest and Hot Fomentations the First Requisites.

The question of how to treat a sprain is often raised. Everybody understands the nature of a sprain; that wrenching of a joint whereby some of the ligaments (those very useful bands which unite the bones forming the joint) are violently stretched or perhaps even ruptured. This kind of injury is rarely, except through unusual complications, dangerous in its nature, but it is certainly very painful and when of a serious nature may result in the permanent impairment of the joint. Such an injury, if at all severe, is immediately followed by marked swelling of the parts, and prompt attention should be given anticipating the surgeon's coming. The very first item in the treatment of a sprain is perfect rest of the limb until a doctor can be summoned. Reduce the swelling by applications of hot fomentations as hot as can be endured, changing about once in every three hours. If a piece of ollakin be not at hand use common newspaper. Wind it carefully outside the hot cloth. This will prevent the escape of the steam and prevent the cloth from cooling. A good way to save the hands from being scalded is to place the hot, dripping flannel in a towel, then, taking hold of each end of the towel, to wring it until the flannel is dry enough to apply.

THE WHITE CZAR.

Russia's Ruler Owe This Title to the Slip of a Pen.

The czar of Russia owes one of his titles to a slip of the pen. The Chinese character pronounced Hwang, meaning emperor, was originally compounded of two elements, meaning "oneself" and "ruler," by which it was intimated that an emperor or ruler of men should, before all things, be master of himself.

In after ages, however, by the omission of a single stroke, this character assumed its present corrupted form, in which the component elements signify "white" and "ruler," white having taken the place of the original "oneself."

Some years ago it was pointed out by a St. Petersburg correspondent of the London Times that this had been literally translated by the Mongols into tchagan khan, and then by the Russians into biely czar, or the "white czar," by which name the emperor of Russia is now known throughout the whole of Asia.—London Telegraph.

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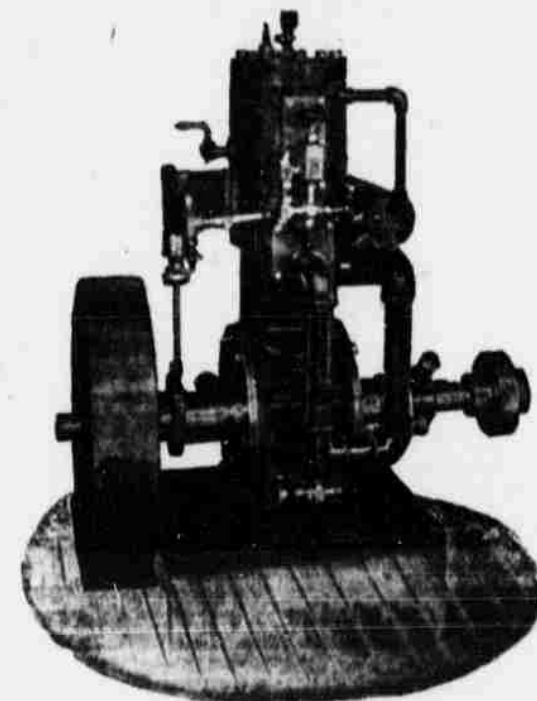
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